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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Docket No. 439300)

In re the Application of: )  
David S. Utterberg )  
Serial No.: 10/062,570 ) Art Unit: 3763  
Filed: February 5, 2002 ) Examiner: Mendez  
For: BLOOD SET PRIMING METHOD )  
AND APPARATUS )

TO: MAIL STOP: Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 28, 2004, please amend the specification as follows.

The Amendment to the Specification begins on page 2. The Remarks begin on page 3.